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NEW SCHOOL-HOUSE AT RAROTONGA.

The view here presented is copied from a drawing transmitted from Rarotonga by the Rev. Charles Pitman. There are two principal stations in the island, Gnatangiia and Avarua, occupied by Mr. Pitman and Mr. Buzacott respectively. The sketch at the head of this article comprises an accurate representation of the Mission buildings at Gnatangiia, with part of the scenery by which they are surrounded. The building on the left is the former school-house, that in the centre the dwelling-house of the Missionary, and the other, which forms the most conspicuous object, is the new school-house, which was finished in August last, and of which a more detailed account is now to be given. Mr. Pitman thus writes respecting it:—

"This new building which, as well as the stone chapel at Titikaveka, has been erected without the slightest expense to the Society, stands in front of our little harbour, and measures 72 feet by 32 inside. The walls 16 feet high, and 2 feet thick, are built with a species of porcelain coral, so hard as to ring with a metallic sound when struck. The lime is formed of burnt coral mixed with river sand. There are 16 windows and 4 doors, each of them arched with hewn blocks of soft coral, and the whole building is plastered and stuccoed on the outside in imitation of cut stone. The roof is composed of thatch laid upon a framework of sawn timber, and the beams are formed of toa or iron-wood."

After stating that the sketch was taken by a friend residing in the island, who had previously rendered acceptable service by first making a plan of the schoolhouse and afterwards superintending its erection, Mr. Pitman remarks:—"I do not expect this building will be sufficient to hold all our children, who, when assembled, considerably exceed one thousand in number; and all of them, I am happy to say, are making good progress in the common branches of education. May the Lord be graciously pleased to bless our endeavours to benefit the young and rising generation within the walls of this building, and may they prove a generation who shall love and fear God, and ultimately be instrumental in extending Messiah's kingdom!"

The accounts lately received from the brethren, of the extent to which the favour and blessing of God continue to descend upon their labours among the natives of Rarotonga, are eminently calculated to animate and encourage the friends of Missions, in their prayers and efforts for the wider diffusion among the heathen of the message of redeeming mercy. Portions of the recent correspondence of Messrs. Pitman and Buzacott, confirmatory of the statement now made, are annexed:—

From the Rev. C. Pitman to the Foreign Secretary, Gnatangiia, Aug. 11, 1838.

We are, my dear Sir, greatly encouraged in our work, and have abundant cause for thankfulness to the God of mercy for a continuation of his favours. He is graciously pleased to smile upon our feeble efforts, and from the success already vouchsafed, we have reason to hope that he has "much people in this place." "The fear of the Lord has fallen" upon many, "and the name of the Lord Jesus is magnified." If this be "the work of the Lord, it will stand; if of man, it will come to nought."

The spirit of inquiry is become general, and applications for admission into the church by baptism, and to unite with us in Christian fellowship, are numerous. I have had the pleasure to baptise 75 adults, and 100 children, during the past year, and to give the "right hand of fellowship" to 47, most of whom speak of their convictions of sin as having been produced under a preached Gospel. Amongst these are some who were noted for their obstinate adherence to their evil ways, and also some of my first scholars. The number now united in church fellowship is 127.

An unusual number have died, but it is no small pleasure to inform you, that, of by far the greatest number, we have hopes as it respects their salvation. Of this we cannot speak assuredly, but the evidence given of their views of sin,—of their humble reliance upon Christ—and on him alone, to the utter exclusion of any performance of their own—the removal of their fears—their fervent prayers—and the exhortations they gave to their surviving relatives—lead us to indulge a humble hope that they have been washed in "that fountain which cleanseth from all sin."

Of an equally gratifying description is the intelligence transmitted by Mr. Pitman's beloved brother and fellow-labourer, Mr. Buzacott, who at a later date writes as follows:—

From Rev. A. Buzacott to the Foreign Secretary, Avarua, Dec. 8, 1838.

In this island you will rejoice to hear that the work of God continues to flourish greatly. Our churches increase rapidly, and our candidates are equally numerous. The affecting inquiry, "What shall I do to be saved?" is frequently presented to us, and the anxious solicitude and consistent lives of many encourage us to hope that they are sincere. Great attention is manifested in hearing, and great eagerness in attending the means of grace, both on Sabbath and on week days. I do not know

when the religious excitement has been greater than it is at present. Many are daily coming to us professing to be under the deepest concern for their souls. Many from among the young, and even some children, appear to be deeply impressed with divine things. Many, also, from the ranks of the refractory party, which is now, I am happy to say, but small, have lately joined the classes of steady people, and attend diligently to instruction. Oh, help us to praise the Lord for his goodness, that he has made us the happy instruments of so much good; that he in his all-wise and inscrutable conduct has thus seen fit to "cause the weak things of the world to confound the things that are mighty." "Even so, Father, for so it seemeth good in thy sight."

Disease continues to thin our ranks. Upwards of 150 at Avarua, and nearly an equal number at Arorangi, have died this year; concerning the greater number of whom we are happy to say there was hope in their death, and several have died rejoicing. Marau and Teatai, two of our earliest members, were among the happy number; death to them had no sting, but appeared as a welcome friend to conduct them to the presence of Him whom their souls loved. Their lives were exemplary, their exertions to do good to their fellow-creatures great, and their labours of love were owned and blessed. Marau was about to be set apart as a deacon, and had indulged hopes of one day carrying the Gospel to some heathen land, but disease cut short his career. For several months he bore his affliction with the most exemplary patience, and during the latter part of it he was very desirous to depart and be with Christ, though humbly submissive to the will of God, whose time he patiently waited till his happy spirit obtained its joyful release.

Teatai usefully employed his time in instructing a number of young men to read, until the painful disease which had consumed his hands and feet, deprived him also of his sight, the loss of which as it prevented him from reading was more severely felt. But notwithstanding these privations, he was by no means useless or laid aside; he continued to preside over his class of young men, and being blessed with a retentive memory, he could recollect nearly the whole of the sermons he heard, and at their meeting, after the services, he would examine them as to what they remembered and understood of the discourses. He was frequently called upon to read and pray in public, when he would stand up and repeat chapters sometimes out of the Old Testament, and sometimes out of the New, with the greatest accuracy, holding the book in the stumps of his arms, as he used to say he was ashamed to stand up and read without a book.

His class of young men have most of them turned out well. Three of them are members of the church, two more are candidates, and most of them are usefully employed in the school as teachers; two of them have proposed themselves as teachers to the heathen, eight are undergoing a course of preparatory instruction, and one of them some years since died joyfully in the Lord.

Teatai was so universally respected, that, though he was a poor man, the principal chiefs of the station frequently visited him, and during his long affliction would not allow him to suffer for the want of any little comfort, such as food or clothing. After he was confined altogether to his house, numbers who were in distress of mind used to visit him, and his advice to such was usually suitable and judicious. He bore his afflictions with exemplary patience, till at last worn out with disease, and in a full assurance of a blessed immortality through the merits of his blessed Redeemer, on whom he humbly depended, he departed this life to be for ever with the Lord. Several things I have since heard have fully confirmed us in our good opinion of him; two of which I shall mention.

Okotai, one of his class of young men, came to me to open his mind, and appeared under great concern for the salvation of his soul, saying that his mind was first impressed by what Teatai had said to him just before he died. Having called him to his bedside, he charged him in the most solemn manner to meet him in heaven; and adding, that though he had knowledge in one sense, yet that of *saving* knowledge he was afraid he was destitute, and unless he knew and felt himself a sinner, and humbly depended on Christ for salvation, he would never reach heaven. The young man is now a candidate for church fellowship, and I hope is truly converted to God.

The other circumstance I shall mention, is, that when one day visiting the sick, I was conversing with a relation of Teatai's, and inquired of him if he felt any concern for the salvation of his soul, he said he did, and had done so since the time that Teatai sent for him and all his other relations, when he was dying, and exhorted them in the most faithful manner to prepare to follow him.

O help us to praise the Lord for his goodness, and for these manifestations of his grace towards these poor people.

SOUTH OF INDIA.—MISSION AT VIZAGAPATAM.

The subjoined extracts of a letter from Mr. Porter, dated in November last, form the conclusion of the pleasing intelligence respecting this Mission, the first part of which was published in the *Missionary Magazine* for May. We regret that the insertion of these extracts has been so long withheld, but the occurrence of two public meetings in succession, and the immediate claims upon our space thereby occasioned, rendered the delay unavoidable. In furnishing a retrospective view of his labours and proceedings since arriving at his station, in 1835, Mr. Porter thus proceeds :—

Formation of an Infant School.

In the first place I must mention the establishment of a native infant school. Subscriptions for the support of a school on this system had been entered into before our arrival at the station, and a considerable sum had been subscribed. As no one else could assume the management of it, we thought it our duty to take it up rather than let it fall to the ground. We succeeded after much trouble in obtaining a schoolmaster from Madras, who was instructed in the system at Calcutta. As there was no suitable school-room to be obtained, we commenced the school in the lower part of our own house in the Fort. After six months we succeeded in purchasing a school-room, in which the school is now kept. The number of scholars at one time was upwards of 70, but in consequence of the removal of our native orphan children with us to the Mission gardens, the number decreased; yet I am happy to say that instead of one, we have now two schools established on this system. The native orphan children have very much improved under it, and I doubt not that it will prove a great blessing to them.

Native English School.

The next thing I must mention is the establishment of a native English school. Some time after our arrival here several native boys came to our house, entreating us to give them instruction in the English language. I attended to them two hours in the day; but as I found I could not spare the time, being much engaged in the study of the Teloogoo, I determined upon establishing a good school on the same principles as the Assembly's school at Madras, under the care of the Rev. J. Anderson. A meeting was therefore held in March 1836, at which the Collector, the Missionaries, and many of the respectable natives, were present, when it was resolved that a school be established under the superintendence of one of the Missionaries, for the instruction of the natives in the English language and literature; and that subscriptions and donations be entered into immediately, in order to build a good school-room, and to support a well-educated schoolmaster. Soon afterwards a suitable person was obtained from Madras, and the school was opened in September 1836 under our own roof, until the new school-room should be completed.

At the commencement only a few boys attended, but the number has considerably increased, and there are now upwards of sixty native boys receiving the benefits of an English education. They are instructed in English history, scripture lessons, geography, grammar, arithmetic, and the elements of astronomy, and are examined twice every week. They appear much interested in the system of education pursued, and some of the boys have made considerable progress, particularly in geography and arithmetic. There are a few so desirous to improve that they have given up, of their own accord, attending the native feasts in order to derive the full advantages of this institution. I am happy to say that the boys make no objection to the reading of the Holy Scriptures, and at the request of some of the elder boys of the first class the school is now opened and concluded with prayer.

The new school-room is finished, and was opened on the 3rd of August, 1837, when a public examination of the school was held. Major General Welsh and other European and native gentlemen attended, and expressed themselves much satisfied with the progress the boys had made. This school is supported by local funds from the native European gentlemen, but chiefly by the Zemindars, and is entirely independent of the Society for support. The Rajah of Vizianagrum, now residing at Benares, granted a liberal donation of 350 rupees to the school, and a subscription of 35 rupees per month. This school has occupied a large share of my time and attention, and I doubt not that much good will result from it. In the attainment of the native language I have found the attention I have given to the school a great assistance to me in the acquisition of the Teloogoo, as the boys are made to translate the English into Teloogoo, in order to know whether they thoroughly understand what they read.

Native Female Orphan School.

Besides these schools, Mrs. P. established in December 1835, a native orphan school. As we found the prejudices of the natives in reference to female education very great, the only plan we could adopt for the spiritual benefit of the females was to establish a native female orphan school, in which the children might be entirely under our management. Our great aim was to get them altogether under the influence of Christian example and instruction. I am happy to say we have succeeded beyond our expectations. We have now upwards of 40 children, chiefly females, who are receiving the benefits of this Institution. We have found much encouragement in this department of labour, and doubt not but that many poor heathen children will by this means be brought to a saving knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. This school is chiefly under the care of my dear partner, and she has bestowed much pains on it.

All these schools are entirely independent of the Society for support, and are chiefly carried on by local contributions and by the kind aid which our dear friends in England have at various times afforded to us, and for which we return them our warmest thanks. The schools supported by the Society are chiefly under the care of brother Gordon; a few are under my superintendence. I am sure you will be gratified to know that upwards of 3,000 rupees, local subscriptions, have been subscribed towards the various objects of the Mission during the past year. Major-General Welsh, now a resident at this place, is a very liberal contributor to the various schools connected with the Mission.

Preaching.

Besides the superintendence of these schools, I am generally engaged in preaching the Gospel to the natives, either in the town or the village, five or six times during the week. I often long for the bracing climate of England to be enabled to do more, but I desire to feel very thankful for that measure of health which the Lord has granted me.

New Places of Worship opened.

Since February last we have opened two small village chapels, in which Divine service is held once a week. One is situate at Mulkupoor, a village three miles south of the town; the other at Madrepollam, a village about four miles north. The chapel at the last-mentioned village is a very neat building, affording accommodation to about 300 persons. It was opened about three weeks since, on which occasion most of our orphan children attended, some members of the church, and a good number of natives. The place was well filled, and it was indeed delightful to hear the praises of Immanuel sung by those who were once heathens in a heathen village. The people heard the Word with great attention. Brother Gordon introduced the service, and I preached in Teloogoo from the 11th chapter of Matthew—"Come unto me, all ye that are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Many women were in attendance, a circumstance very rare in the towns, as the husbands will not allow their wives to go. The chapel is situated near a small idol temple where the inhabitants formerly held their feast. Many of the people appear convinced of the folly of idolatry, and are anxious to learn about the true way of salvation.

I have just returned from Ankapilly, a large town twenty miles south of this station, where we have lately opened a school. A new school-room has been built, and last Sabbath it was opened for Divine service, held twice on the Sabbath, and once on Monday evening. The attendance of the natives was encouraging, especially on Monday evening, when the room was quite filled, and many stood outside to hear the Word. The inhabitants have expressed a wish for a Missionary to reside amongst them.

With the help of my Moonshee I have translated "Henry and his Bearer," and the "Ayah and her Lady;" these little works are now published, and in circulation among the natives, and I am happy to say the people appear well pleased with them.

Anticipated increase of Labourers.

I am rejoiced to tell you that we have now two young men wh are likely to fill the place of assistant Missionaries—Mr. Johnson and Mr. Thompson; the former is a member of the church at Madras, under the care of our respected brother, the Rev. J. Smith; the latter is a member of the church in this place. Mr. T. is well acquainted with Teloogoo, and is now able to speak with fluency in the language on the great truths of salvation. They are both truly pious young men, and we trust that the Lord may render them valuable labourers in his vineyard. After they have received more theological instruction, we propose to locate them at one of our large out-stations, where the people are greatly in need of a stated Missionary. The schoolmaster at Ankapilly is supported by the natives, and we have supplied him with Christian books, which the children read and commit to memory. We hope soon to establish another school at a large village twelve miles distant, supported in the same manner.

Since I wrote last we have baptised three adults, two men and one woman, besides several of our orphan children. May the Lord keep them stedfast unto the end, and make them ornaments of his holy church. Though we have not many real conversions to mention, yet we have sufficient encouragement to lead us to go forward in the glorious work in which we have embarked. Still we have many trials to endure, many difficulties to grapple with, many prejudices to counteract, and many subtle adversaries to overcome. In such a work we do indeed need strong faith, great patience, and the exercise of fervent prayer. We earnestly entreat your prayers and the prayers of all the friends of the Society, that our faith and patience may not fail, but that we may be enabled to persevere unto the end, that at length we may receive the crown of life which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will give to all them who love his appearing. I can assure you we much need your affectionate sympathies, your cordial support, and your fervent prayers. We do not wish to relinquish our glorious work, but we call upon the Directors and the friends of Missions generally to lift up the hands which are ready to hang down, and strengthen the feeble knees, and thus help us forward in the work of the Lord. Nothing but Almighty grace can enable us to stand fast—nothing but a dying Saviour's love can urge us forward in such an undertaking as that committed to us. O may his love fill our hearts, and his grace make us stedfast unto the end. We long to see more conversions, and earnestly desire to behold the day when thousands of Hindoos shall flock to the standard of the cross as doves to their windows.

O Lord, hasten it in thy time, establish thy kingdom, and let the earth be filled with thy glory.

ITINERANT LABOURS OF THE BANGALORE MISSION.

From the report of the brethren at Bangalore for the past year, we insert below a deeply interesting narrative of their itinerant labours during that period, among the numerous towns and villages surrounding this important station :—

Encouraging interview with a company of Brahmins.

Besides preaching in Bangalore and its immediate vicinity, we have endeavoured to scatter the good seed of the word of God in the towns and villages of the surrounding districts. For this purpose several Missionary tours have been performed during the year. In the month of October last we took a journey on the Bellary road, visiting Yellavunkum, Davundahully, Sheelaguttah, Chikka-Bellapoorah, Dodda-Bellapoorah, and several smaller places. In general we had very large audiences who listened with attention and apparent interest to our message. At Davundahully, whilst engaged in explaining some portions of Scripture to a number of people assembled in the bungalow, a message came from the subadar requesting our attendance in the Fort. We went accordingly, and were very politely received by him, and conducted to the cutcherry, where a very large company was assembled consisting chiefly of Brahmins, who requested to be informed what we were teaching the people. An outline of the Gospel was given, to which they listened with great attention, and afterwards proposed many queries, which led to a discussion of some length but conducted throughout in a calm and temperate manner; a circumstance very unusual and truly surprising where so many brahmins were concerned. But they appeared like men desirous of making themselves acquainted with the truths which we were teaching. After a considerable time spent in discussion we presented the subadar with a copy of the four Gospels, and took our departure much gratified, and truly thankful, at having enjoyed such an opportunity of making known the truth to such an assembly. At Chikka-Bellapoorah also a party of ten brahmins came spontaneously to make inquiry respecting the doctrines which we taught. They sat down and listened attentively whilst these were explained, received some copies of the Gospels and tracts, and left us apparently in some degree impressed with what was said.

Earnest attention of the people to the subject of Christianity.

In the month of December, Mr. Campbell took a tour in which he visited eleven large towns, viz., Baigoor, Anicul, Ossoor, Soolagherry, Khistnagherry, Royacottah, Kellamungalum, Dencanacottah, Tully, Madegoundahully, and Antipully, and several smaller places, most of which are in the Salem district. The people generally heard with attention. In two places there were very lengthened discussions, and upon the whole an excitement was produced amongst the people in reference to the Gospel, which we trust will not subside till it issue in the conversion of some souls to God. In this tour, Mr. Campbell was accompanied by Mrs. Campbell. Mrs. C. had several reasons for going, viz., to get

some knowledge of the country and people, to improve herself in the language, and, if possible, to induce the females to hear the Gospel. The first two objects were attained much to her satisfaction. As to the last, though many females came to gratify their curiosity, their stay was too short, and their minds too debased to warrant the hope that they received any good. To all the people the presence of a European female was a great wonder, and still more so to hear her speak to them in their own language. Immense multitudes were thus every where drawn together to see, who also had the way of salvation made known to them.

Religious excitement among the people.

In the month of February a tour was taken by Mr. Rice to Mysore. He visited and preached at Kingherry, Biddadee, Closepett, Chinnapatam, Muddore, and Mundium, the principal towns on the road, also at the city of Mysore and in several villages. At most of these places great crowds came together to hear. At Closepett especially a great excitement was produced. The congregations were unusually large, their attention very encouraging, and their demand for tracts exceedingly urgent. Here also a discussion of considerable length was held with a learned shastre in the verandah of a native shop in the presence of a great concourse of people. The by-standers listened to the discussion with fixed attention, and it is hoped with some profit: for although the shastre was a man full of self-conceit, and evidently desirous rather to make a show of his supposed learning than to investigate truth, yet an opportunity was afforded in the hearing of a considerable number of exposing the falsehood of Hindooism, and showing the superiority of Christianity. At Muddoor, Mr. R. was visited by the subadar and several of the principal natives, to whom he had thus an opportunity of making known the Gospel of Christ, and furnishing them with copies of some parts of the New Testament.

About the same time, Mr. Turnbull being desirous of trying the effect of a change of air for the benefit of his health, went by a circuitous route to the Neilgherry-Hills; preaching as far as his strength permitted in most of the places through which he passed, and distributing a considerable number of tracts and several copies of the Gospels.

Visit to a heathen Festival.

Another tour has also been lately taken by Mr. Campbell as far as Madras. While passing through the Canarese country he preached in Canarese, and when in the Tamil country in Tamil, as far as his acquaintance with that language would allow. It was his first intention only to have gone to Chittoor, in order that he might improve himself in the Tamil language by being a short time in the Tamil country. He was induced, however, to accompany Mr. Bilderbeck of Chittoor to the annual festival at Conjeveram. Being so near Madras he could not but avail himself of the opportunity of visiting the brethren there, seeing the state of the Mission, and the many valuable schools which have been established in that place. He was gratified, and he hopes, benefited by his visit. The sight of so many of the abominations of idolatry at Conjeveram was calculated to call forth the deepest commiseration for the wretched and lost condition of the heathen. On the other hand, the many luminous exhibitions of the truth and the powerful appeals made to the consciences of the people by our repected brother, Mr. Bilderbeck, will not soon be forgotten by him.

In the above tours upwards of 1,800 tracts and 56 copies of various parts of the sacred Scriptures have been distributed. May he who alone can give the increase condescend to bless the dissemination of his truth, that in the day of final account it may be found that we have not laboured in vain!

SCHOOLS AND NATIVE TEACHERS AT KAT RIVER.

An extended report of the state and progress of education, in connexion with this favoured Mission, was published in the *Missionary Magazine* for April last. From that report, friends more especially interested in the welfare of the Hottentot tribes will have rejoiced to hear of the great advancement which has of late been made, in the work of religious and general instruction among the rising generation in this part of Africa. Besides the principal station, Philipton, where the Messrs. Read reside, and at which a day-school* and an infant-school have been established, there are thirteen out-stations, each containing one day-school, with the addition at two of them of an infant-school, and each school is under the im-

* This, it would appear, is conducted on the principle of a Normal-school, and as such it has already begun to do good service in the cause of education.

mediate care and instruction of a native teacher; and the general superintendence of Mr. Read and his son. The schools at Philipton, respectively, receive the constant attention of Mr. Read, jun., and one of his sisters, who diligently exert themselves to promote the moral and intellectual improvement of their pupils. As regards the several schools and native teachers supported by special contributions from benevolent individuals in this country, the subjoined notices, contained in recent communications from Mr. Read, furnish information which we are persuaded will prove acceptable to those friends in particular, and our readers generally. The first school referred to by Mr. Read is one established at an outpost called Wilsonton, under the title of

Fletcher's School.

This school, he observes, in part supported by our valued friend, Mrs. Fletcher, of Bath, is in a most flourishing state, and has a fine young Hottentot at its head. The week before last we held our yearly examination of the schools, when this school excelled. The children read English extremely well, have committed much Scripture to memory, made pleasing progress in arithmetic, grammar, geography, and writing, and have commenced astronomy.

School at Upshen.

This is a name which was given to a place in the settlement several years ago, in token of respect to a lady of that name intimately acquainted and connected with the family of our highly-respected friend, Mr. Fowell Buxton. She has given 10*l.*, part of which has been applied to the school at this place, which is conducted by a grandson of the late famous Captain Boezak, of Theopolis.

Hillyard School.

This school is established at Readsdale, one of the most delightful spots in South Africa, about five miles from Philipton; it is a long vale, richly cultivated. On the one side is the high Winterbergen, covered with verdure to the very top; the mounds between the ravines present a splendid appearance, and the ravines are filled with the finest timber. On the other side of the valley the hills are not so high, but beautiful. Until this school was established, only a few months ago, the children had to come daily to Philipton, which they did cheerfully. It is supported in part by Miss Hillyard, of Bedford, and her young friends.

Native teachers and evangelists.

Our native teachers—or, rather, preachers—form a prominent part of our present prosperity and future expectations. The first to whom I would advert is—

Dirk Hather.

He joined us while yet a boy, soon after Dr. Vanderkemp and I settled at Bethelsdorp, about the year 1804. His mother was one of the first persons Dr. Vanderkemp baptised; his father was subsequently baptised, and both are eminent Christians. Dirk was a playfellow and intimate companion of the chief Tzatzoe; in their young days they were awakened at the same time to a sense of their state before God; began their Christian career together; and there has been a great uniformity of character between them ever since. Dirk accompanied our dear friend, Mr. Campbell, as leader in his first travels in Africa. He accompanied me also in 1816 to commence the Mission at Lattakoo, and was to me as a right hand. He often endeavoured to do good by preaching, and his services in this way were very acceptable. I left him with Mr. Moffat, to whom he was very useful, and by whom he was much respected.

Dirk afterwards went to Philippolis where he remained some time, and soon after the Kat River settlement was formed he joined us. His amiable disposition, good judgment, and experience, gained him great respect among the people generally and the members of the church. Thus, when I left the colony for England, I committed the concerns of the church, as far as I could, to his hands. He removed from his location to this place, where he remained till we returned; and the happy state of things during our absence is in part to be attributed to his prudence and diligence.

When a native teacher was required for the new settlements on the Fish River, Dirk being recommended as a suitable person, went and laboured there till his services seemed to be more required at a place near Blinkwater, where he is now engaged among the Caffres, whose language he understands. He has been labouring there for some months, and has a school under his care. He was unanimously chosen as one of the elders lately appointed. Dirk is to be supported (at least in part) by Miss Hewit, of Manchester.

Boosman Stuurman,

Is an old disciple. He was awakened under the ministry of the late Dr. Vanderkemp, and became a most decided Christian. Soon after he was baptised by our brother Barker, he went to Theopolis, and he has always been a most lively, zealous Christian, possesses much solid experience, and

is constantly engaged in stirring up the members of the church, and warning the unconverted. Before the war, his labours greatly assisted us, and he was indefatigable during our absence, travelling about from location to location without any reward or remuneration. He speaks the Caffre language pretty well, and has occasionally visited Macomo and his people, and conversed with and addressed the Fingoes in the settlement.

A few months ago, the Caffre chief, William Gobe, residing with his people on the banks of the Blinkwater river, came earnestly requesting some one to be sent to them. We sent Boosman, and there he has been ever since, not without hope of success. He is one of the elders of our church. Stuurman is to be supported by the friends at Halshaw-moor.

Andries Joger,

Was called by grace to the knowledge of Christ some years ago, at Theopolis; and having given signs of talent for communicating knowledge, Dr. Philip placed him at an English school at Salem, to receive a course of instruction. At Pacaltsdorp he acted as schoolmaster for some time, and has always been of unexceptionable character. He came to Kat River just at the time Dirk Hather was leaving the Fish River Station for Blinkwater, and we engaged him to labour there. He has been at the Fish River some months; several persons have been awakened under his preaching, and these are soon to be baptised; he has a good school. Andries Joger is appointed as one of the persons to be supported by the friends of Orchard-street Chapel, Stockport.

Singella,

Is a Fingo who was converted under the ministry of Mr. Kayser, in Caffraria. Mr. Kayser saw that he was a man full of zeal and likely to be useful among his own nation, though not among the Caffres; and, therefore, recommended his removal to this settlement, where he has now been for nearly two years, an indefatigable exhorter in season and out of season; travelling on foot from kraal to kraal every week; and generally on Sabbath-days; addressing the Fingoes at this place. All this he has done without any remuneration, excepting a few rixdollars which I gave him, together with some old clothes I had brought with me from friends in England. He has been very useful. Some have been baptised, and some are candidates for that ordinance who have received much spiritual advantage through his labours. His own wife, who was first opposed to him, is now in a most delightful state of mind, and is to be baptised next month. Singella is to be supported by the friends at Mansfield.

Jantje Noeka,

Is a member of a numerous family, of the name of Noeka, most of whom now reside at Blinkwater; there are three brothers and four sisters, who, we trust, are all pious persons; some of them we believe to be eminently pious. One of the brothers has for years acted as Caffre interpreter at the Chumie Station. Jantje was the first convert under the preaching of the late Mr. Williams, at Kat River, in 1817. The striking circumstances of his conversion will be remembered as having been told at many places in England and Scotland by Tzatzoe. Jantje was for many years interpreter to our Wesleyan brethren at Wesleyville. Since the war he has joined this settlement. I engaged him and his nephew, Jan Burns, to labour as native teachers among the people of Macomo and Botman. He, with his nephew, made several interesting excursions among these people, and reported the earnestness with which many of the females particularly listened to their message. Botman had requested to have Jantje stationed with him till an English Missionary should arrive, and this would have taken place if Mr. Birt had not arrived so soon.

Ourson Mogerman.

This man we have engaged to aid us in the capacity of interpreter, as we need this kind of assistance daily and sometimes hourly in our intercourse with Fingoes, Gonas, Caffres, and Tambookies. We hold three regular services in the week for Caffres and people of other tribes, through an interpetrer. Sometimes on the Sunday we are obliged to assemble beneath the shade of the spreading trees on the side of the river. This was the case last Sunday, when about 150 Fingoes were addressed by two gentlemen of the Society of Friends, George Walker and James Backhouse, through interpreters. Ourson had been brought up at Chumie, reads fluently, and understands Caffre and Dutch well. He accompanied the American Missionaries to Dingaan, the Zoolu chief, near Natal, as interpreter. At that time, we did not consider him a decided character, but we trust he has since been changed, and we think it likely he will prove a useful man.

CANJE DISTRICT, BERBICE.

The health of our brother, Mr. Haywood, has, under the Divine blessing, been materially served by his visit to Barbadoes, where he remained for about two months, and returned to his station in December last. He was thankful to find that during this interval, the people of his charge had, for the most part, been graciously enabled to stand fast in the faith and purity of the Gospel, and his heart was thereby strengthened to pursue with augmented energy and diligence the fulfilment of his sacred and important duties. Under date of January last, Mr. Haywood thus writes from Blyendaal, in reference to the state of religion generally among the people in this part of Berbice :—

Notwithstanding all my afflictions, my having to attend to the town station during the early part of the year, and my going to Barbadoes in the latter part, the dear people at Orange and Bethel chapels have given me great satisfaction and encouragement. In former years I have had occasion to mention particular estates as having been favoured with the bestowments of Divine influence ; but this year every estate around us has shared in the tokens of God's approving love. The teachers have been most assiduous in the discharge of their duties ; the deacons have filled their appointed office creditably to themselves, and faithfully towards God ; the members, with few exceptions, have been walking in the truth and adorning their profession, and many of the congregation being now members for communion are saying, in the language of Ruth, "Whither thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge —thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God."

Conversion of an Obeah Woman.

The following fact, stated by Mr. Haywood, brings before us an instructive and affecting view of the long-suffering of God, and the power of his renewing grace. Our brother writes :—There is a woman living on Plantation Anna Clementia, formerly called Waakumma Sarah, the name by which she was generally known whilst following her wicked profession ; but she was also called by the name of Venus, on account of her beauty. This woman was for many years the terror of the neighbourhood, and her fame became so great that she was sought out not only by many people from Demerara, but also, as I have been informed, from the islands of the Sea. The greater part of the people for five miles round about her residence dared not mention her name, feeling assured she would hear and punish them for so doing. The least criminal of her abominations she continued for some time after I came to reside here, but secretly, for fear the minister should detect and expose her. As her influence was extensive, so her employment was lucrative. Whenever the season of merriment arrived, she had so many jewels to lend to the young people that all were provided with a profusion of ornaments, consisting of finger-rings of almost every description, ear-rings, strings of gold and coral beads for the wrists, ancles, and loins, pins and brooches in abundance, and a large quantity of dresses fit for an Eastern queen.

She had the care of the young children on the estate to which she belonged, and was sent to bring them to school daily for instruction. By the help of our female servant she soon acquired the alphabet, and afterwards learned to read so well as to obtain from me a gift Testament. She received this in silence with great emotion ; and as she kissed it and pressed it to her bosom, it forcibly struck me that she knew something of its value. I retired to my study, and prayed that this word of life might become the means of her soul's salvation. At the thought of what she had been, and might yet become, I was led into a train of reflections which need not now be mentioned. Suffice it to say, she was numbered with the objects of my tender solicitude.

From this time she became very attentive and thoughtful. Soon after, she was married, and having continued for a long time a regular and devout hearer of the word of life, requested Christian baptism. Her account of herself was so satisfactory, and her views of baptism so scriptural, that the solemn rite was performed, and on the 18th of June last she sat down with us to commemorate the dying love of her Lord and Saviour. "O the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God, how unsearchable are his judgments, and his ways past finding out!" As she had been such an extraordinary woman, and her character so well known, I deemed it right to question her before the whole congregation. She arose, and in her answers renounced her superstitions and lying vanities, and confessed that Jesus was Christ, to the glory of God the Father. Is any thing too hard for God ?

Instance of Christian liberality.

After stating that during the year 1838,

seventy individuals had been admitted to communion, and two hundred and six baptised, Mr. Haywood proceeds: — On returning from Barbadoes I represented to the people at Orange chapel, the expense to which I had been obliged to put the Society, and suggested that they should make a good collection towards defraying the charge. This was readily consented to, and the collection was larger by far than any that was ever made at any chapel in Berbice, viz., 1000 guilders, or 74*l.* sterling.

Mission-schools.

After the first of August, the number of children instructed at Orange chapel increased to about 90, some of them large boys. Mrs. Haywood now superintends the whole, and instructs the girls in needlework, &c. The Adult Evening School, held at Orange chapel, for Plantations Blyendaal and Anna Clementia, is in a flourishing condition, and the schools on the estates too distant to allow of the scholars coming to this station are doing very well.

Special meeting for prayer.

Last New Year's-day being the first the people would witness in a state of freedom, it was thought well to have a special prayer meeting in the morning. The chapel was full by ten o'clock, and many prayers ascended to heaven that the year then commenced might be remarkable for peace and prosperity in the universal church of the Redeemer. Our dear brother Kenyon gave us a most appropriate and excellent address, and much of the presence of God was felt amongst us. We have begun the year with God, and we anticipate the prevalence of the principles of the Gospel all around us before it closes. Our souls shall rejoice in God, and we will glory in the rock of our salvation.

I am glad and thankful for that restoration to health which I have experienced. I am much benefited by my trip to Barbadoes, and trust and pray that my health and life may be precious in his sight whose I am, and whom I delight to serve. My dear wife is also in good health, and assiduously pursuing the duties devolved upon her.

DEATH OF MR. BARNDEN, AT THE NAVIGATORS ISLANDS.

Letters lately received from Huahine have brought the deeply afflictive tidings of the death of the Rev. George Barnden, at Upolu, Navigators Islands, in January last. His labours for the spread of the Gospel among the heathen have been of extremely brief duration, having commenced so recently as the year 1836; but we rejoice to be enabled to state, on the testimony of Mr. Barff, that they were not terminated before satisfactory evidence was given by our departed brother, of an earnest desire to spend and be spent in the service of his Divine Master. No direct intelligence on the subject has yet reached us, but the poignant grief which, under the most mitigating circumstances, the death of one so highly beloved and esteemed as a brother and fellow-labourer in the Lord, would necessarily produce among the brethren, has doubtless received a most painful accession from the peculiarly distressing manner in which it was permitted to take place. In common with the Directors, the friends of the Society generally will regard the death of this young but devoted Missionary, with its attendant circumstances, as no ordinary trial, and offer united prayer that the affliction may be richly sanctified to the brethren and natives in this part of the world.

Mr. Charter, who has since proceeded to his station in the Society Islands, was sojourning at Apia, the residence of Mr. Mills, in Upolu, when the deplored event occurred, and in a letter transmitted by him under date of March last, the particulars are thus stated:—

"On Monday, the 31st of January, Mr. Barnden, Mr. Hardie, and Mr. Gill, went to bathe at the usual bathing-place, a short distance from the house of Mr. Mills. Mr. Hardie and our lamented brother arrived at the water-side before Mr. Gill, and Mr. Barnden being ready first plunged in, but in less than two minutes was out of his depth. When Mr. G. arrived, perceiving there was danger, he hastened back for some natives, who speedily went and dived to get Mr. Barnden out of the water. This they soon effected. The body was immediately conveyed to Mr. Mills's new house, and all possible means to restore life were employed. For five hours we continued rubbing the body and inflating the lungs, but all in vain. On Wednesday morning we discharged the painful duty of committing the remains of our dear brother to the silent tomb."

DEATH OF MR. RUSSELL IN JAMAICA.

The Directors deeply regret to state that a letter has been received from the Rev. W. Alloway, communicating the mournful intelligence of the death of Mr. Henry Russell, at Claremont, near Dry Harbour, on the 11th of April last. Mr. Russell commenced

his important labours in the educational department of the Jamaica Mission early in 1836, and pursued them with honour to himself and advantage to those placed under his instruction, to the period at which the brief illness that terminated with his death, rendered him incapable of further exertion. He has left a widow and two children to mourn their irreparable loss.

INCREASING LIBERALITY OF THE FRIENDS OF THE SOCIETY.

The Directors rejoice to be enabled to state that they feel greatly encouraged, in their endeavours to augment the funds of the Society, by the cordial expressions of approbation with which the resolution unanimously adopted at the last General Annual Meeting has been received, and the liberal manner in which it has been responded to, among their constituents in various parts of the country. That resolution, it will be remembered, pledged the Society to employ with prompt and untiring zeal, all suitable means to raise its permanent income to One Hundred Thousand pounds; and, considering the spirit hitherto manifested and the cheering examples which have been set, the Directors indulge a strong hope that, through the blessing of Him whose is the silver and the gold, this pledge will be speedily redeemed. From the gratifying communications with which they have been favoured on the subject now under notice, the following are extracts. Writing to the Home Secretary, in June last, Mr. Knill states:—

I beg to inform the Directors for their encouragement, that our anniversary services in Suffolk have just ended, and it was stated by the Treasurer of the Auxiliary, that the whole county on an average had more than doubled the contributions of the last year, having raised about 1,400*l.* This is very cheering, is it not? and I think we may fully expect that many other counties will do the same. I paid a visit to Cambridge for a few days, and from what I saw there, I expect Cambridgeshire will be nearly equal to Suffolk.

In another communication from Hull, dated about the same period, a respected correspondent thus writes respecting the Hull and East Riding Auxiliary Missionary Society:—

We have just closed a series of delightful services; they were pervaded, I think by much of the very best sentiment and feeling, and the collections in Hull amount to about 540*l.*, making, with somewhat more than 60*l.* from Beverley, upwards of 600*l.*

The amounts contributed at former anniversary services in this district have been from 200*l.* to 300*l.* on an average.

The Secretary of the West Riding Auxiliary, Yorkshire, in a communication to the Home Secretary, writes:—

You will be pleased to learn that our anniversary at Leeds, yielded above 1,050*l.* besides 100*l.* from Wakefield, and 35*l.* from Huddersfield, and 5*l.* from Barnsley, all *extra*. The receipts for the year have been above 3,000*l.*

The amounts collected at the anniversary meetings of this Auxiliary have ranged from 200*l.* to 300*l.* annually.

From various individuals, the Directors have received sacred pledges to double the amount of their personal subscriptions.

ANNIVERSARY OF THE EAST LANCASHIRE AUXILIARY.

The following communication has been received from an esteemed friend in the country:—"On Sunday, June 16th, sermons were preached in the different Independent chapels in Manchester and Salford, and the cause of Missions was ably pleaded by the Rev. Dr. Heugh, of Glasgow; Rev. W. L. Alexander, A.M., of Edinburgh; Rev. J. Thorpe, of Sheffield; Rev. S. Luke, of Chester; and two of the Society's Missionaries from India, the Rev. W. Campbell and Rev. Micaiah Hill; as well as by several of our own ministers. The collections amounted to 1,237*l.*

On Monday morning, a special prayer-meeting was held in Grosvenor-street Chapel, when the Divine presence and blessing were earnestly implored, and the interests of Zion, both at home and abroad, affectionately commended to the care of Him

who must reign till all his enemies be made his footstool.

In the evening, the Public Meeting of the Society was held in Mosley-street Chapel, J. H. Heron, Esq., the treasurer, in the chair. Very interesting addresses were delivered by most of the ministers beforenamed, and by other ministers and friends who favoured the meeting with their presence and powerfully appealed to all, especially those whom a gracious Providence had honoured with wealth, to come forward on behalf of the perishing heathen. The meeting was also greatly encouraged and interested by the communications of the Rev. Robert Moffat, lately returned from Lattakoo, South Africa, after a separation of 23 years from the church which had the happiness to send him forth as one of their messengers to the heathen. The joy experienced by those present was further augmented, when Mr. Moffat presented an interesting native girl whom he had providentially saved in her infancy from death, after she had been cruelly buried alive by her own mother!

On Tuesday evening, the Rev. Dr. Vaughan, of London, preached the annual sermon, in Grosvenor-street Chapel, when he most eloquently advocated the Missionary cause; and on Wednesday morning, a Public Breakfast was held in the New Corn Exchange; the appeals put forth at the public meeting were there renewed, and a most delightful feeling pervaded the whole assembly. Several affecting references were made to the lamented decease of the Rev. Dr. M'All, who, on occasions like these, had so often enlivened and stimulated our zeal in this noble work. Notwithstanding the very depressed state of trade here at present and the great sufferings of many, it is encouraging to find that the whole proceeds of the anniversary reached the sum of 2,433*l.*, an offering most cheerfully consecrated to the God of all our mercies, and the glory of his kingdom among the children of men. When the juvenile contributions shall have been received, it is hoped that, excepting a legacy of 125*l.* included in the last year's return, the present year will nearly equal the preceding one.

ORDINATION OF MR. HARBUTT.

On Wednesday, July 10, Mr. W. Harbutt was ordained in St. Andrew's Chapel, North Shields, as a Missionary to the Navigators Islands, in the South Pacific. Rev. W. Scott, theological tutor in Airdale academy, delivered an introductory discourse, setting forth the warrant for Christian Missions to the heathen, the great need of the labours of evangelists among them, and the certainty of success in the enterprise. Rev. R. Caldwell, of Howdon Pans, proposed several questions to Mr. Harbutt, which were suitably answered. Rev. A. Jack offered the ordination prayer. Rev. W. H. Stowell then addressed Mr. Harbutt in a powerful and eloquent charge to be faithful in doing "the work of an evangelist," wherein the duties devolving upon him, the difficulties, trials, and temptations, with which he might expect to meet, were affectionately stated, and the support and consolations on which he might depend were also fully set before him. The services were concluded with prayer.

RETURN OF MISSIONARIES TO ENGLAND.

Mr. Paine.

On the 18th of May, Mr. B. H. Paine, who had been engaged for several years in connexion with the Mission press, at Bellary, Southern India, arrived in London by the *Wellington*, accompanied by his family, and a son of the Rev. Joseph Taylor, of Belgaum, in the Bombay Presidency.

Rev. R. B. Taylor.

The Rev. Robert Barry Taylor, from Leguan Island, Essequebo, has arrived in this country. Having landed at Greenock on the 23rd of May, he reached London on the 3rd of the following month.

Rev. M. Hill.

On the 22nd of May, the Rev. Micaiah Hill arrived in London, from his station at Berhampore, Bengal Presidency, after an absence of eighteen years from his native country.

Rev. R. Moffat.

On the 12th of June, the Rev. Robert Moffat, Mrs. Moffat, and family, arrived in London from South Africa. Mr. Moffat has been 23 years absent from his native land.

ARRIVAL OF MR. MILNE, AT JAMAICA.

On the 20th of April, Mr. William Milne, appointed as schoolmaster, in connexion with the Jamaica Mission, arrived at the port of Kingston. From thence he proceeded to Four Paths where it is probable he will remain, and reached that station on the 24th of the same month.

LETTERS RECEIVED FROM MISSIONARIES, &c.

SOUTH SEAS, 1838.—Sydney, Rev. J. Williams, Oct. 11, 23, 24, 25, (three letters,) Rev. J. Williams and Brethren, Oct. 25. Rev. W. Day, Oct. 24. Rev. T. Joseph, Nov. 30. Rarotonga, Rev. C. Pitman, Aug. 11, Sept. 24. Rev. Messrs. Pitman and Buzacott, Sept. 28, Oct. 9. Rev. A. Buzacott, Dec. 8. Marquesas, Rev. G. Stallworthy, June 26.

ULTRA GANGES, 1838.—Malacca, Rev. Messrs. Evans and Dyer, Dec. 1. Pinang, Rev. T. Beighton, Dec. 27. Batavia, Rev. W. H. Medhurst, Dec. 6.

EAST INDIES, 1838-39.—Calcutta, Rev. G. Gogerly and Brethren, Feb. 4. Rev. C. Piffard, Dec. 19, Jan. 10, Feb. 2, Feb. 9, Mar. 5. Rev. W. Morton, Dec. 28. Rev. T. Lessel, Sept. 29. Calcutta Mission, Jan. 29. Surat, Rev. Messrs. A. and W. Fyvie, March 20. Madras, Rev. J. Smith, Jan. 11, (from Octacamund.) Cuddapah, Rev. W. Howell, Dec. 20, (two letters.) Walajahpettah, Rev. J. Bilderbeck, Nov. 15. Belgaum, Rev. J. Taylor, Feb. 19, (from Madras.) Rev. W. Beynon, March 19. Bellary, Rev. J. Reid, Jan. 11. Rev. W. Thompson, March 5. Bangalore, Rev. J. Hands, Jan. 10, Jan. 24, Feb. 16, Mar. 16. Rev. J. Sewell, Jan. 7. Combaconum, Rev. J. E. Nimmo, Nov. 25. Coimbatoor, Rev. W. B. Addis, Jan. 10, (from Octacamund.) Nagercoil, Rev. J. Russell, Dec. 7. Neyoor, Rev. J. Abbs, March 9. Quilon, Rev. J. C. Thompson, Feb. 19, Rev. Messrs. Thompson and Mead, March 13.

RUSSIAN EMPIRE, 1839.—Ona, Rev. W. Swan, March 7.

MEDITERRANEAN, 1839.—Corfu, Rev. I. Lowndes, April 24, May 10.

SOUTH AFRICA, 1839.—Cape Town, Rev. Dr. Philip, Feb. 20 (two letters) Feb. 22 (2 letters,) Mar. 15 (two letters.) Mrs. Philip, Mar. 16. Mrs. Pitman with Messrs. Howe, Pratt, and Barff, Jan. 22, Feb. 2. Tulbagh, Rev. A. Vos, Feb. 11. Kat River, Rev. J. Read, Sen., Feb. 8, Feb. 10. Griqua Town, Rev. Messrs. Wright and Hughes, Jan. 8. Philippolis, Rev. G. Schreiner, Jan. 19. Lattakoo, Rev. R. Moffat, Feb. 20, (from Cape Town.)

AFRICAN ISLANDS, 1838-39. Mauritius, Rev. D. Jones, Nov. 20, Nov. 24, Jan. 2, Jan. 23.

WEST INDIES, 1839.—Demerara, Rev. C. Ratray, March 18. Rev. Messrs. Watt and Rattray, March 7. Berbice, Rev. H. S. Seaborn, March 7. Mr. J. Morris, Jan. 26. Rev. G. Forward, Jan. 16, Jan. 26. Rev. S. Haywood, Jan. 25, (three letters.) Jan. 29, Mar. 11, (two letters.) Jamaica, Rev. J. Vine, March 5. Rev. W. Slatyer, April 2. Rev. W. G. Barrett, March 11. Rev. R. Jones, March 13. Rev. J. Wooldridge, March 19.

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THE thanks of the Directors are respectfuly presented to the following, viz:—To the ladies at Newark, per Rev. H. L. Adams, for 21 boys' dresses, &c., for Tzatzoe; to friends at Sleaford, for 13 boys' dresses, for Tzatzoe; to the Misses Devenish, Salisbury, for 20 children's frocks, for Kat River; to friends at Rotherham, per Rev. W. H. Stowell, for a case of useful articles, value 30*l.*, for Rev. R. Jones, Chapleton; to friends at Mansfield, per Rev. R. Weaver, for a case of useful articles, value 35*l.* for Rev. R. Jones, Chapleton; to Mr. Palliser and friends, Harrogate, for a box of valuable articles, for Rev. R. Jones, Chapleton; to the Jamaica Row Auxiliary Missionary Society, Bermondsey, for a parcel of books and clothing, for the Caffre children under the care of Rev. James Read; to the Newbury Ladies' Missionary Association, for a box of canvas, lamb's wool, &c., for the Christian Institution, Calcutta, under the care of Mrs. Campbell; to T. S. for a parcel of Bibles and hymn-books; to Miss Hicks, for a parcel of useful articles, for Mrs. Simpson, Eimeo; to Mrs. Lanc, for a parcel of fancy articles, for Mrs. Beighton, Pinang; to the Misses Jeffe, for a box of fancy articles; to the Great George-street Ladies' Working Society, Liverpool, for a case of wearing apparel, and sundry useful articles, for Rev. James Read, Kat River; to a few friends in Liverpool, for a case of wearing apparel, and sundry useful articles, for the use of the schools at Kat River; to some young friends of Nottingham, per Mrs. Gilbert, for a box of useful and fancy articles, for the Rev. D. Jones's School, Mauritius; to Miss Turner, Oulton Hall, for a case of useful articles, for Rev. W. Howe, Navigators Island; to L. L., for a parcel of drapery, for Lattakoo; to Mrs. S. Knight and friends, Ryde, for a box of useful and fancy articles, for the Rev. T. Beighton, Pinang; to the Carlow Ladies' Missionary Society, for a parcel of shirts, for Dr. Philip; to Ladies at Clapton, per Mrs. Sharp, for a box of wearing apparel, &c., for Mrs. Mather's School, Mirzapore; to ladies at Wigtown, N. B., for a baie of dresses, &c., for Rev. James Read; to the church and congregation of Rev. J. S. Wager, Stony Stratford, for a case of lamps, glasses, &c.; to J. E. Saunders, Jun. Esq., for a model of an Indian hut, from Demerara; to the Ladies of the Rev. John Ely's congregation, Salem Chapel, Leeds, for a large case of wearing apparel, and other useful articles for Kat River; to the Ladies' Working Society, Newcastle, and the personal friends of the Rev. A. Robson, for two cases of useful articles, value 45*l.*, for the use of the Mission at Port Elizabeth; to Miss Thompson, Welton, for a rich table-cover of silk patchwork, the entire work of a lady, to be forwarded to India, for sale; to the ladies of the Countess of Huntingdon and Castle-street chapels, Swansea, for a case of useful articles, for the East Indies, value 105*l.*; to a friend to Missions, for a silk patchwork hookah mat, to be sent to Calcutta for sale; to the young people of the Rev. S. Thodey's congregation, Cambridge, for a case of useful and fancy articles, for Rev. D. Jones, Mauritius, value 25*l.*; to Mrs. William Fletcher, Bath, for a large case of valuable books, for the seminary at Neyoor; to the ladies of the congregation of the Rev. Dr. Russell, Dundee, for a case of wearing apparel, &c., for Rev. A. Simpson, South Seas; to "M. S." for a parcel of wearing apparel, for the South Seas; to the ladies of the Rev. R. Gibbs's congregation, Skipton in Craven, for a box of useful articles, for Mr. Harbutt, Navigators Islands; also to a gentleman in the same congregation, for a small present for the chief Malietoa; to Miss Leslie, for a parcel of useful articles, for Mrs. Henderson's school, Demerara; to the family of the late J. L. Davvall, Esq., for a set of the Evangelical Magazine, half-bound; to J. S., for a parcel of clothing, for Rarotonga; to a friend, per R. Cunliffe, Esq., for 4 pieces of calico, for Rarotonga; to Mrs. Chaplin, and Mrs. Perkins, for a parcel of clothing, for Rarotonga; to Anonymous, for a large bundle of clothing, for Rarotonga; to Mrs. Elliott, and Miss Baker, for a parcel of calico, for the orphans at Rarotonga; to a well-wisher; to S. P.; to a friend to Missions; to J. Wilson, Esq.; to a Well-wisher, Goswell-road; to W. Brownlow, Esq.; to Mrs. Jacobson; and to Mr. Thomas Morgan, Holloway, for volumes and numbers of the Evangelical, and other Magazines, Newspapers, Pamphlets, &c. &c.

MISSIONARY CONTRIBUTIONS,

From the 1st March to 6th April, 1839, inclusive—(continued.)

	£	s.	d.
A Yorkshireman, per Rev. J. Arundel	40	0	0
Sheffield and Attercliffe Aux. Society—			
Nether Chapel	51	4	4
Howard-street Chapel	47	15	10
Lee Croft Chapel	38	14	4
For N. Tea. W. B. Landells	10	0	0
Attercliffe	17	5	5
For Fem. Education	8	8	0
Queen-street Chapel	85	3	6
Garden-street Chapel	11	11	10
Mount Zion Chapel	28	10	10
Oughtibridge	6	1t	4
Wincobank	5	0	0
For Schools at Combaconum	4	12	0
Communion Services	38	15	11
Public Meetings	61	9	2
For Building two Chapels in India	20	0	0
For Mrs. Mault's Sch.	18	0	0
Missionary-box	1	10	4
Breakfast and tea parties	5	9	0
Less exps. 24*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.**	435	7	6

* 233*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.* of this sum previously acknowledged.

WALES.

North Calv. Methodists—			
Carnarvonshire	156	12	10
Denbighshire	86	18	5
Flintshire	64	3	11
Merionethshire	150	0	0
North Aux. Society—			
Anglesea	61	7	6
Carnarvonshire	8	3	5
Denbighshire	69	7	2
Flintshire	86	13	4
Merionethshire	24	0	6
Montgomeryshire	18	7	1
Less exps. 8*l.* 4*s.* 10*d.*	259	14	2
Dolgelly	6	0	0
Cefnrowen	0	9	0
Brithdir	1	15	6
Rhydymain	3	6	9
	11*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.*		
Montgomeryshire Asso.	79	6	0
Glasbwl and Soar	3	13	0
Breconshire Aux. Soc.	50	17	3
Glamorganshire Aux. Soc.	52	17	4
Newton, Lady Barham's Chapel	10	0	0
A Lady in Pembrokeshire, per Rev. T. Luke	50	0	0

SCOTLAND.

Aberdeen Fem. Society	58	10	1
Extra donations in consequence of the appeal	12	1	0
Rhynie Congrega. Ch.	3	0	0
	73*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*		
Millseat	47	0	0
Legacy of Mr. J. Panton, late of Farnie Stripe	5	0	0
The deceased servant of Mr. Willox	1	0	0
Craigdam, for Nat. Tea. James Craigdam	12	0	0
Banff, Cong. Church	22	0	0
Dumfries Aux.	25	0	0
Mrs. Samson, for Nat. Boy at Benares, John Samson	3	0	0
	28*l.*		
Glenae, per Major Dalzell	6	15	6
Edinburgh Aux Soc.—			
Ann. Subscriptions	21	19	6
Inverkeithing Seces. Ch.	3	0	0
Mrs. Thew, per R. Gray, Esq.	5	0	0
Auchenbowie and Plean Bible and Mis. Soc.	1	5	0
Biggar, Seces. Ch. for N. Tea. Biggar	10	0	0
Montrose Penny Soc.	5	0	0
For Chinese translations	5	0	0
Cavers Soc. for diffusion of Divine Knowledge, for West Indies	2	0	0
Albany-street Sabbath-scholars, for an Indian Orphan	2	0	0
Collected by—			
Miss C. Farquharson	4	13	0
Miss Gibson	2	13	6
Miss H. Haldane	1	15	0
Miss Muir	3	10	8
Per Miss Alexander, for Mis. Magazines	1	0	1
Misses Muir, for Girl at Benares, Helen Muir	3	0	0
Argyle-square Chapel, balance of last acc.	0	18	8
Collected by—			
Miss Alexander	15	11	0
Mr. A. Finlayson	2	0	11
Miss Easton	2	6	0
Miss Stewart	1	0	11
Miss Hall	2	16	4
Messrs I. and T. Davies	3	1	9
Miss Carnahan	0	13	7
Mr. J. Lothian	3	9	7
Mrs. Robertson	0	19	11
Mr. R. Nisbet	4	19	6
Miss Livingston	2	6	11
Miss Miller	0	15	8
Miss Lindsay	0	14	6
Miss Dickenson	0	13	3
Miss Gray	2	7	0
Mr. A. Shearer	0	15	0
Mr. T. White D.	1	0	0
Sums under 10*s.*	0	16	8
For Mis. Magazines	1	0	11
Interest from Bank	0	10	5
Surplus of Soiree	4	14	3
Interest on general acc.	1	3	8
Less exps. 4*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*	122	2	0
Edinburgh Fem. Asso.	8	0	0
For Children at Benares, Chris. Anderson, Jane Russell, Claud Buchanan, and Agnes Anderson	12	0	0
For Fem. Negroes in West Indies	3	0	0
	23*l.*		
Messrs. Sommerville and Son, for Nat. Tea. Solomon	20	0	0
Leith, J. Watson, Esq.	2	0	0
Inverkeithing, for N. T. Inverkeithing	10	10	0
Dundee, Ward Chapel Mis. Association	10	0	0
Per Mr. G. Rough, Jun.—			
For Nat. Tea. D. Russell, and W. Baxter	20	0	0
Legacy of late Mrs. Rowell	10	0	0
E. Baxter, Esq.	2	0	0
Mr. P. Watson	1	0	0
Mr. G. Rough, Jun.	1	0	0
Children of Messrs. Baxter's Sabbath-school	1	10	0
Do. Camperdown-hall Sunday-school	1	6	6
	36*l.* 16*s.* 6*d.*		
Gatehouse-on-Fleet Aux.	7	1	4
Glasgow Aux. Soc.—			
Auchterarder Relief Congregation	2	0	0
Banton, Col. at Prayer Meeting	0	10	0
Black Quarry, Young Men's Asso.	0	16	0
Campbelltown Cong. Ch.	7	3	9
Relief Church	10	0	0
Hamilton Cong. Ch.	10	0	0
Joppa Sabbath-school	1	1	10
Paisley (Canal-street) Relief Church	5	0	0
Penpont Relief Church	5	0	0
Rutherglen Sab.-sch.	0	7	0
Strathaven Relief Ch.	10	0	0
Wishaw Town do.	5	0	0
Subscriptions	16	1	6
Ladies' Association	26	5	10
Gcorge-street do	42	2	0
For N. Tea. H. Martyn	10	0	0
Less exps. 1*l.* 1*s.* 1*d.*	150	6	10
Orkney Aux. Soc.	3	3	10
For N. Tea. R. Paterson	15	0	0
18*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.*			
Blairgowrie Indept. Ch.	5	6	6
Ruthven and Almond Bank Mis. Soc.	9	0	0
Stranraer, for South Sea Missions—			
Reformed Presbyterian Congregation	5	0	0
Relief Church	5	0	0

IRELAND.

Hibernian Aux. Soc.	500	0	0
Cookstown, D. A. for N. Tea. 1st Quarter	2	10	0
Belfast, Collected by Miss M. Montgomery	5	0	0

JERSEY.

Auxiliary Soc. per Rev. F. Perrot	15	9	9

GUERNSEY.

Auxiliary Soc. per Mr. A. Edwards	86	7	10

HAMBURGH.

English Reformed Church, Rev. J. Rheeder—			
Collections at Missionary Prayer Meetings	14	11	0

ST. HELENA.

Auxiliary Society per J. M'Daniel, Esq. and Capt. O'Connor	8	0	3

From 8th April to 30th June, 1839, inclusive.

Messrs. R. and L. Gray.	2	0	0
H. Robarts, Esq.	10	10	0
Jesse Curling, Esq.	10	10	0
V. O. W.	3	0	0
A Friend, by Rev. J. Moreland	1	5	0
Collected by three Sisters	4	4	0
Joshua Wilson, Esq.	10	0	0
Do. for South Sea Ship	5	0	0
A Friend	5	5	0
E. S.	0	10	0

	£	s.	d.
D. F.	1	0	0
Miss ——, Torrington-sq.	5	0	0
I. S.	0	2	0
G. S.	0	10	0
A Subscriber's donation in aid of the deficiency, Bank note, No. 48241	5	0	0
W. Shippery, Esq.	10	10	0
B. Claypon, Esq.	12	0	0
W. Brownlow, Esq.	10	10	0
Mr. Hernage	2	0	0
A Member of the Tabernacle	5	0	0
A Lady, per Rev. R. Knill, for a Communion Service in India	3	0	0
First Fruits	1	0	0
A Friend	100	0	0
Anonymous, per Mr. Nisbet	0	4	6
Capt. H. B. Young, R.N.	0	10	0
Hon. General Bligh	10	0	0
S. Davenport, Esq.	10	10	0
S. Mills, Esq.	10	10	0
Mr. Goodall, per Rev. Dr. Morison	0	10	0
C. H. W.	10	0	0
J. B. a friend to Missions, per G. B. Hart, Esq. second donation	100	0	0
A Friend, per Mrs. Geo. Clayton, for Mrs. Cox's Native Fem. School at Trevandrum	5	0	0
Mrs. H. Crompton, for Rarotonga	60	0	0
For Ebenezer School in India	10	0	0
For N. Tea. R.B. Knill, and P. B. Doddridge	20	0	0
90l.			
Miss Braithwaite, for N. Tea. R. Knill	10	0	0
Mrs. Lockyer, for N. Tea. J. Lockyer	10	0	0
A Friend, by Mrs. Flanders, for So. Sea Mis.	1	1	0
J. B. for the So. Sea Ship	3	0	0
Clapton, Ladies' Aux. Soc.	70	17	5
Craven Chapel, per Mrs. W. Reid, for Nat. Tea. J. Craven	15	0	0
Kensington Aux. Soc.	93	1	8
New Court, on account	3	2	0
Robert-st. Grosvenor-sq.	54	17	6
Oxendon-st. Aux. Soc.	14	0	0
Paddington Chapel	150	0	0
Gate-street Aux. Soc.	12	13	8
Islington Chapel Sunday-school	3	0	0
Union Chapel, D. Curling, Esq.	10	0	0
Lower-street, E. Goldsmith, Esq.	10	0	0
For N. Tea. John Yockney	10	0	0
Weigh House Aux. Soc.	106	0	0
Highbury College Students' Association	11	18	1
A Ladies' School near St. John's Wood	1	11	0
Captain's Walk Sun.-sch.	0	10	0
Sarah Gorbell's M. Box	0	8	0
Mrs. Tristram's do.	1	0	0
F. B. Chelsea do.	1	0	0
Bedfordshire.			
Bedford, Old Meeting	30	0	0
For Hillyard's School, Kat River	10	0	0
Howard Chapel	20	9	0
For N. Tea. J. Howard	10	0	0
70l. 9s.			
Turvey	4	3	0
Harrold	9	10	0
Luton, Union Chapel—			
A Moiety	23	5	5
Ampthill and Maulden—			
A Moiety	8	2	3
Berkshire.			
Per Rev. W. Legg—			
Reading, balance	42	10	8
Abingdon	45	0	0
Maidenhead	119	15	3
Twyford	1	9	0
Less exps. *2l. 15s. 9d.*	205	19	2
Reading, Legacy of late Rev. J. Watkins	100	0	0
Buckinghamshire.			
A few humble individuals towards the deficiency	5	10	0
Woburn, per Rev. S. Weston	3	11	6
Angell, Mrs.	10	0	0
Pegg, Mr. and Mrs.	10	0	0
Swallow, Miss	1	0	0
Newport Pagnell, G. Osborn, Esq. towards sending out another Missionary to Vizagapatam	100	0	0
South Aux. Soc. per Mr. Butler, High Wycombe—			
Subscriptions	4	3	0
Town Hall	8	0	0
Crendon-lane	10	0	7
Ebenezer Chapel	5	3	4
West Wycombe	1	6	8
Beaconsfield	18	16	3
Less exps. *1l. 18s. 6d.*	45	11	4
High Wycombe, Mrs. W. H. Williams' Mis. Box	2	4	6
Cambridgeshire.			
North East Aux. Soc. per Mr. P. Smith	15	11	0
Mrs. Compton, Isleham, for So. Sea Missions	3	5	0
Fordham, for Wid. and Or. Fund	0	12	0
19l. 8s.			
Burwell, Legacy of late Mrs. E. Nicklin	47	5	0
Stapleford, Rev. W. Brett	1	0	0
Anonymous, per ditto	3	0	0
4l.			
Cheshire.			
Little Moor	9	3	3
Derbyshire.			
Auxiliary Society	104	19	4
Devonshire.			
Dartmouth, for the Mission House at Madras	21	18	6
Axminster	6	5	0
Barnstaple, Mrs. Hill, *dec.*	1	16	0
Point in View, a Friend of the Congregation, per Rev. J. Mercer	10	0	0
Dorsetshire.			
Bridport	60	0	0
Gloucestershire.			
Cheltenham, T. Kingsbury, Esq.	20	0	0
Wotton-under-Edge, Major T. Biddle, H.C.S.	10	0	0
Hampshire.			
Portsea, a Friend	10	0	0
King-street Chapel	93	8	7
Hurstbourne, near Andover	1	10	7
Andover, Mr. R. Tasker, N. Tea. Providence	10	0	0
Per Rev. W. S. Ford—			
Alresford	0	10	0
Ovington, produce of a plot of ground	5	10	0
6l.			
Per W. Tice, Esq.—			
Christchurch	25	4	0
Ripley	22	3	9
Throop	6	2	6
53l. 10s. 3d.			
Winchester, Mr. W. B. Norton	10	0	0
Titchfield	7	0	0
Hertfordshire.			
Cheshunt, Mrs. Ross	0	1	3
A Friend	0	10	0
St. Albans	14	0	0
Isle of Man.			
Belmont, G. W. Dumbell, Esq.	10	0	0
Ilse of Wight.			
West Cowes	20	15	8
Ryde	69	11	0
For N. Tea. T. Guyer.	10	0	0
Brading	1	14	0
81l. 5s.			
Kent.			
Sandwich	4	0	0
Maidstone, Legacy of the late Mr. J. Taylor, less duty	180	0	0
Dartford, Lowfield-street Sunday-school	0	12	6
Keston	10	0	0
Canterbury, A Friend per Rev. H. Creswell	5	0	0
Ramsgate	46	17	7
Mr. Ray's Academy, for Little Moses	0	10	0
Margate, F. W. Cobb, Esq., for N. Tea. Francis	10	0	0
Lancashire.			
East Aux. Society, per J. H. Heron, Esq., on account	1800	0	0
Platt, near Manchester—			
T. C. Worsley, Esq.	50	0	0
Per E. Dawson, Esq.—			
Lancaster	23	13	8
Kirkby Lonsdale	2	13	0
Forton	2	12	0
Garstang	20	0	0
48l. 18s. 8d.			
Lancaster, Legacy of late Miss J. Bradley, less duty and expenses	176	11	9
Leicestershire.			
Auxiliary Society, per T. Nunneley, Esq—			
Ashby de la Zouch	15	0	0
Bardon	2	5	0
Bosworth	2	18	6
Castle Donington	1	2	0
Hallaton	4	8	0
Hinckley, Rev. W. Salt	10	5	0
Rev. W. Sheffield	2	10	0
Hugglescote	2	4	4
Kibworth	3	0	0
Leicester, Bond-street.	138	7	0
Gallowtree Gate	57	0	0
Miss Cook's Young Ladies	7	0	0
Annual Meeting	23	8	8
Loughborough, for Widows' and Orphan's Fund	0	16	0
Lutterworth	33	10	0
Melton	30	16	6
For Schools in Africa	18	7	6
Narborough	19	1	6
Newton Burgoland	3	0	0
Shilton	9	13	8
Theddingworth	5	18	0
Wigston	8	4	0
Whetstone	3	0	6
Ullesthorpe	11	1	1
Less exps. *19l. 17s. 3d.*	398	0	0

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